

Environmental Quality Advisory Board Standing Committee Guidelines

Water Advisory Committee

Authorization:

The Water Advisory Committee (WAC) is a standing committee of the Environmental Quality Advisory Board (EQAB). The WAC shall make any and all recommendations to EQAB. EQAB may, at its sole discretion, forward WAC recommendations to the Scottsdale City Council.

Purpose:

WAC's purposes are to encourage and promote environmentally responsible water use in the Sonoran Desert, and promote and protect the city's environmentally sensitive storm water system and Indian Bend Wash urban lakes. WAC's focus shall be to help facilitate outreach to Scottsdale citizens.

Responsibilities:

WAC shall advise EQAB on water conservation, storm water, and urban lakes issues. WAC shall also provide assistance with educational programs and special events.

Administration of all water programs remains the responsibility of the city.

The WAC may not enter into any agreements or contracts on behalf of itself, EQAB, or the City of Scottsdale. The sole responsibility to enter into agreements or contracts lies with the City Manager/designee and/or the City Council.

Direction:

EQAB shall determine the strategic direction, purpose, and scope of issues for the WAC.

Role:

The WAC acts in a policy advisory role for EQAB. In the course of their activities, they may produce work product that after EQAB review/approval may be distributed to the community.

Chair:

The EQAB Chair shall appoint an EQAB member as Chair of the WAC.

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Public Meetings:

All WAC meetings and WAC sub-committee meetings will be publicly noticed, and the public is encouraged to attend.

Membership:

EQAB shall appoint up to fourteen (14) members for one-year renewable terms, subject to Mayor/Council approval. A majority of WAC, subcommittee and/or workgroup members should be Scottsdale citizens and/or work at an office in Scottsdale.

Prospective members shall make application to EQAB using the **EQAB Standing Committee Application** form. Membership in one or more of the following categories is required (more than one member may be from the same category):

Business community representative

Citizen

Earth science

Educator

Engineering professional Environmental scientist

Hydrologist

Inter-governmental liaison

Landscape design professional

Planning specialist
Product representative
Public relations professional
Real estate professional
Utility representative
Water conservationist

Attendance:

Members who miss three consecutive meetings, or four of six consecutive meetings, shall be subject to dismissal. If a member is dismissed, that member may petition EQAB for reinstatement.

Sub-Committees:

From time to time, the WAC Chair may initiate workgroups or subcommittees. At least one half of the members shall be WAC members. The Chair must be a WAC member. Additional community members may be on the subcommittee. Each person serving on a subcommittee must fill out an **EQAB Standing Committee Application** form.

Vacancies:

Upon resignation or termination of an appointed WAC Member, the WAC Chair will request EQAB to fill the remaining term with a new appointment.

Staff Representative:

A city Water Resources Department staff person shall serve as an ex-officio member of the WAC.

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